

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application.

1. (Previously presented) A fuel injection rate control device comprising:
a governor lever connected to a fuel injection rate control part of a fuel injection pump; and
a limiter for controlling turning of the governor lever within a fixed range so as to control the fuel injection rate to an engine during start-up of the engine and during increase of rotational speed of the started engine, wherein a position of the limiter is changed corresponding to changes in temperature.
2. (Previously presented) A fuel injection rate control device as set forth in claim 1, the limiter further comprising:
a control section for determining at least a limit position of the governor lever turning in fuel decreasing direction, wherein the limit position is moved in further fuel decreasing direction according to increase of temperature of the engine.
3. (Previously presented) A fuel injection rate control device as set forth in claim 1, further comprising:
a stopper for determining a position of the limiter when output power of the engine is set to its maximum; and
a heat sensitive expansion member provided in the stopper, wherein the position of the limiter is changed according to dilatation of the heat sensitive expansion member.

4. (Original) A fuel injection rate control device as set forth in claim 3, wherein wax is used as the heat sensitive expansion member.

5. (Previously presented) A fuel injection rate control device as set forth in claim 3, the stopper further comprising:

slide members slid according to expansion of the heat sensitive expansion member; and

a slide restriction member for restricting slide of the slide members; and
a casing containing the heat sensitive expansion member, the slide members and the slide restriction member.

6. (Previously presented) A fuel injection rate control device as set forth in claim 5, wherein springs are used as the slide restriction member.

7. (Previously presented) A fuel injection rate control device as set forth in claim 3, wherein the stopper is attached to a side surface of the engine.

8. (Previously presented) A fuel injection rate control device as set forth in claim 2, further comprising:

a stopper for determining a position of the limiter when output power of the engine is set to its maximum; and

a heat sensitive expansion member provided in the stopper, wherein the position of the limiter is changed according to dilatation of the heat sensitive expansion member.

9. (Previously presented) A fuel injection rate control device as set forth in claim 8, the stopper further comprising:

slide members slid according to expansion of the heat sensitive expansion member; and
a slide restriction member for restricting slide of the slide members; and
a casing containing the heat sensitive expansion member, the slide members and the slide restriction member.

10. (Previously presented) A fuel injection rate control device as set forth in claim 8, wherein wax is used as the heat sensitive expansion member.

11. (Previously presented) A fuel injection rate control device as set forth in claim 5, wherein wax is used as the heat sensitive expansion member.

12. (Currently amended) A fuel injection rate control device as set forth in claim 6, wherein ~~wherein~~ the stopper is attached to a side surface of the engine.

13. (Previously presented) A fuel injection rate control device as set forth in claim 4, wherein the stopper is attached to a side surface of the engine.

14. (Previously presented) A fuel injection rate control device as set forth in claim 5, wherein the stopper is attached to a side surface of the engine.

15. (Previously presented) A fuel injection rate control device as set forth in claim 8, wherein the stopper is attached to a side surface of the engine.

16. (Previously presented) A fuel injection rate control device as set forth in claim 9, wherein the stopper is attached to a side surface of the engine.

17. (Previously presented) A fuel injection rate control device as set forth in claim 10, wherein the stopper is attached to a side surface of the engine.

18. (Previously presented) A fuel injection rate control device as set forth in claim 13, wherein the stopper is attached to a side surface of the engine.

19. (Previously presented) A fuel injection rate control device as set forth in claim 9, wherein springs are used as the slide restriction member.